Guidelines for arrest under COFEPOSA

1045. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV:
SHRI RAJU PARMAR:
SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have laid down guidelines which provide for arrest and detention of persons under COFEPOSA;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the details of cases booked by the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) in Delhi and West Zone during the last three years;

(c) in how many cases arrests and detention under COFEPOSA have not been resorted to togetherwith the reasons therefor;

(d) whether in some particular cases officers have not acted in accordance with the guidelines; and

(e) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken against erring officers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (e) Information is being collected from the field formations and will be laid on the table of the House.

Directorate of Enforcement investigation against M/s. Seagram Ltd.

1046. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:
SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2433 given in the Rajya Sabha on 12th December, 2000 and state:

(a) what are the channels through which foreign inward remittances as share compital/foreign investment through hawala were received by M/s. Seagram Ltd;

(b) what are the details of progress of investigations initiated by the Directorate of Enforcement in the matter;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Reserve Bank of India had given sanction/approval for certain limited amount of foreign exchange investment whereas M/s. Seagram Limited had brought much more than the sanctioned amount; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action contemplated in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (d) The matter has been investigated by the Enforcement Directorate in respect of inward remittances. The Reserve Bank of India had given sanction/ approval to the company for receiving a total remittance of Rs. 75 crores against which the company received an amount of Rs. 7503.90 lakh. It was explained by the company that excess receipt of Rs. 3.90 lakh because of exchange rate fluctuations. Hence, no action is contemplated against the company in this regard.

Loans/advances in respect of States

1047. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the Central loans including interest, outstanding against State Governments as on 31st March, 2000 and 31st March, 2001, State-wise;

(b) the details of loans and advances made to State Governments during 2000-2001;

(c) whether there are some provisions to write-off the loans against State Governments whose financial condition is bad; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Outstanding loans against each State as on 31st March, 2000 and 31st March, 2001 in respect of Ministry of Finance and state plan block loans and ways & means advances released to the State during 2000-01 are indicated in the enclosed Statement (*See* below). Information in respect of